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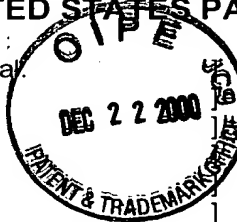
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REQUEST FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Commissioner of Patents and Trademarks to extend the time for response to the Office Action dated June 26, 2000, for three (3) months from September 26, 2000 to December 26, 2000. Enclosed is a check in the amount of \$890.00 to cover the cost of the extension.

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